

**LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES
March 16, 2011**

Present:	Judy Keller	Gene Meyer	Kathy Clausing-Willis
	Verdell Taylor	Karen Shumate	Scott Solcher, MD
	Chuck Heath	Simon Scholtz	Andy Ramirez
	Dan Lambert	Deborah Thompson	
	Joe Flannery	Dana Hale	
	Allen Belot	Sheryle D'Amico	
	Greg Schnose, MD	Jeff Novorr	
	Mike Wildgen	Sherri Vaughn, MD	
	Jane Blocher		

Others present: Audrey Bishop, Associate VP of Physician Division, Karrey Britt, Journal-World Reporter, Todd Koch, Director of Facilities Management, Belinda Rehmer, Community Relations Coordinator, Ava O'Flannagan, Director of Quality Services

Absent: Jane Maskus, Janice Early

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by Judy Keller, Chairperson.

Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was presented for review and approval.

MOTION: made by Dan Lambert seconded
by Jane Blocher to approve the Agenda as
presented. Motion carried.

Introduction of Ava O'Flannagan, Director of Quality Services

Ava O'Flannagan, MBA, BHA, CPHQ, CHC was introduced as the new Director of Quality Services at Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

Consent Agenda

- a) Board of Trustee Minutes, February 16, 2011
- b) Finance Committee Minutes, February, 2011 and February, 2011 Financials
- c) Planning Committee Report
- d) Community Relations Committee Minutes – March, 2011

MOTION: made by Dan Lambert, seconded by
Jane Blocher to approve the Consent Agenda.
Motion carried.

Medical Executive Committee Reports

Dr. Solcher reviewed the recommendations for Board approval:

ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STAFF – New Appointments:

Allison Veeder, ARNP – (LMH Employee/Lawrence Emergency Medicine Physicians) Initial appointment period to extend from 3/16/11 through 12/31/12.

Patricia Neis, ARNP – (Allied Health Professional/Sponsor: Dr. Goering) Initial appointment period to extend from 3/16/11 through 6/30/12.

Lorelei Witt, ARNP – (Allied Health Professional/Sponsor: Dr. Fevurly) Initial appointment period to extend from 3/16/11 through 12/31/12.

PRIVILEGE and/or STATUS CHANGES and RESIGNATIONS:

Joey Ghose, M.D. – (Active Admitting; Cardiology/Internal Medicine Department) – Addition of “Interpretation of Cardiac Nuclear Medicine Studies.”

David Deer, M.D. – (Consulting; Radiation Oncology) – Resignation effective 2/13/11.

MOTION: made by Allen Belot, seconded by Chuck Heath to approve the Medical Executive Committee’s Credentials Recommendations.
Motion carried.

GENERAL MEDICAL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, BYLAW CHANGES:

Article 3.5 – Procedures for Appointment, Reappointment, and Concluding Provisional Period

Article 6.1.2 – Exercise of Privileges for Active Admitting Staff, Histories and Physicals

Article 11.1.1 – Necessity for Adverse Actions by Medical Executive Committee

Article 11.1.2 – Necessity for Adverse Actions by the Board of Trustees

Article 11.1.3 – Necessity for Adverse Actions, Hearing Committee

Article 11.3 and 11.3.1 – Process for Hearings and Appellate Reviews – Burden of Proof

Article 15.5 – Rules and Regulations – Amendments and Adoptions

Article 5.1 – Allied Health Professionals

MOTION: made by Joe Flannery, seconded by Verdell Taylor to approve Bylaw revisions as recommended by the General Medical Staff
March 1, 2011. Motion carried.

CEO Comments

Gene Meyer reported on the following:

- a) We continue to work with the orthopedic group on spine surgeon recruitment.
- b) February was an excellent month in terms of activity and clinical outcomes.

Healthcare Reform Readiness

- a) “The Year Ahead in Healthcare Reform”, an article in *Modern Healthcare* was referenced.
- b) A presentation on Value-Based Purchasing was made by Karen Shumate and Simon Scholtz. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has begun the process of linking payment to value. The new methodology for calculating payment for services provided was introduced.
- c) Sheryle D’Amico outlined an element of Healthcare Reform’s Meaningful Use requiring that we obtain new and sensitive information from patients upon admission to assure we are providing the same level of care regardless of demographics. Hospital Staff will complete the requirement with sensitivity and professionalism.

Old Business

- a) Physician Recruitment – Dr. Sherri Vaughn reported that Dr. Michele Bennett, OB/GYN, and Dr. Luke Hurter, oncology, have committed to LMH practices and will begin in the fall.
- b) Meals On Wheels Update – Jeff Novorr updated the Board on our partnership with the Meals On Wheels program. In November of 2010, the day after the 6-month kitchen renovation project was approved, we notified Meals On Wheels and offered to work with them to find alternate sources for their meals during the renovation period. Noting that we would like to continue to partner with them following the renovation, we also pledged our support should they need to sign a long-term contract with another provider. We have learned that this program has moved its offices to 23rd and Kasold in Lawrence and are close to signing a contract with a caterer. At this point, we do not know if their pending arrangement is only for the period when our kitchen is down, or if it is a long-term agreement. We will wait to hear what they would like future arrangements with us to be and have emphasized that our door will remain open.

New Business

- a) Major Gift – Kathy Clausing-Willis, VP/Chief Development Officer, reported that LMH has received the largest gift in our organization's history. The \$1.3 million gift was from the charitable remainder trusts of Karl and Una Kreider. The Kreider Rehabilitation Center was named in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Kreider.
- b) OB Changes – Gene Meyer reported that Dr. Pazdernik has resigned from the Lawrence OB/GYN Specialist group. In addition, their Office Manager, Deb West, has also resigned.
- c) Parking Lot Study – Mr. Meyer also reported that we will be conducting a parking study to determine our needs over the next five to ten years. This information was requested by the Facilities Committee.
- d) Legislative Luncheon Report – Judy Keller reported that our recent luncheon in Topeka was well attended by two senators and five representatives and gave us the opportunity to present information on what community hospitals are facing. Members of the Board and Staff were thanked for their attendance; Kathy Clausing-Willis was also thanked for her organization of the event. It is hoped that a similar meeting can be scheduled with our city and county commissioners.

Executive Session

MOTION: made by Chuck Heath, seconded by Verdell Taylor that the Board of Trustees recess to Executive Session for consultation with the hospital attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, to include the CEO, COO, CFO, VP of Physician Division, VP of Medical Affairs and Chief of Staff. The open meeting to resume in this room at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried.

MOTION: made by Joe Flannery that the Board extend the Executive Session to 11:20 a.m.
Motion carried.

MOTION: made and seconded to leave Executive Session.
Motion carried.

The open meeting convened at 11:23 am.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Lambert, Secretary